

10TH YEAR-WHOLE NO. 5,829.

GOVERNMENT GOSSIP.

Probable Acceptance of the New Cruiser Atlanta.

NAVAL CONTRACTS AWARDED.

General Order Calls on the President by Request.

GENERAL AND PERSONAL.

On the White House.—Among the President's callers to-day were Senators Hawley, Voorhees, and Jones of Arkansas; Representatives Springer, Weaver of Iowa, Breckinridge of Arkansas, Mendenhall, Hancock of Kentucky, and James Magoo, Minister to Norway and Sweden.

Naval Vessels at Auction.—The following naval vessels were sold at auction yesterday: Congress, \$7,600; Ohio, \$7,400; Worcester, \$5,000; Shawmut, \$2,000; Hancock, \$3,350; Saratoga, \$4,500; Savannah, \$5,500. The first five were bought by General D. W. Richards and the others by Standard & Culley of Philadelphia.

Two Hundred Hand-Shakes.—The President shook hands with 200 people this afternoon. Several people in the crowd were recognized by the President's acquaintances. A veteran in antiquated uniform, introduced himself as a survivor of the war of 1812. Two members of the California Legislature were among those presented.

Salvador's New President.—Mr. Cleveland has been presented, through Senor Vignes, Charge d'Affaires, with an autograph letter from Senor Menendez, announcing his election to the Presidency of Salvador; also with the usual formal congratulatory reception and ball, at which a number of United States naval officers were present, and the healths of President and Mrs. Cleveland cordially toasted.

General Orderway Calls on the President.—Lieutenant-General Sheridan, accompanied by Mr. Albert Orway, called upon the President yesterday afternoon, the President having expressed a desire to meet General Orway. The visit is significant, owing to the fact that General Orway has been recently appointed as Secretary of the War Department, and as an appointment as Brigadier-General of the District militia.

Quarterly Statistics.—The latest quarterly report of the Bureau of Statistics contains tables showing the production and consumption of various commodities. It shows that the production of wheat in 1886 was 1,000,000 bushels, and the consumption was 1,200,000 bushels. The production of cotton was 1,500,000 bales, and the consumption was 1,800,000 bales.

Sickness at the Norfolk Navy-Yard.—There seems to be an epidemic of malarial sickness at the Norfolk Navy-Yard, as the Norfolk Landmark of yesterday reports the following: Chief Engineer Stephen L. Hilditch, who has been at the yard with malarial fever; Captain Henry Anthony Bartlett, Marine Corps, is laid up at his home; Mr. Bright, wife of surgeon George A. Bright, recovered from malarial fever; the son of Commander Philip H. C. Cooper, is recovering from chills and fever, and Chief Clerk George W. Smith, of the same Department, is absent from his desk from sickness.

The Atlanta's Trial Trip.—The official report of the trial trip of the Atlanta has been received at the Navy Department. It states that despite the general opinion made in speed the hull power developed was only 3,200, while 3,300 is called for by the contract. The contract does not specify the speed to be attained, but the vessel was designed for a speed of 10 knots per hour. The report also states that the vessel was found to be capable of a much faster rate. Secretary Whitney says: "The Naval Advisory Board will be glad to hear of any improvement in the vessel's performance. I will come to me for consideration. I notified them some months ago that as she has been in our possession about a year and a half, whenever she could be put to sea, I would run showing fair results, although not up to the contract requirements, she ought to be accepted. She will probably be accepted on the results of this trial."

Steel Contracts Awarded.—Secretary Whitney has awarded all the steel contracts for both armor plate and armor to the Bethlehem Iron Company of Pennsylvania. The Bethlehem Company was the lowest bidder for the armor plate, but not for the forgings. In his order making the award, Secretary Whitney explains his reason for giving the armor plate contract to the Bethlehem company, by showing that the advertisement stated that preference would be given to bidders covering both armor and gun steel. As a matter of fact, also, it is shown that the Bethlehem company's bid is \$200,000 less than the two lowest bids for the separate items of armor and gun steel. "Since the bidding has taken place," says the Secretary, "the Bethlehem company has offered to reduce their prices on the gun steel, so as to make that company the lowest bidder for both armor and gun steel. This may be done under the circumstances, although I should not permit it if I did not consider them, on other grounds, entitled to the award."

Minor and Personal.

Governor-elect Davis of Rhode Island has placed his resignation as customs appraiser at Providence in the hands of the President. Commodore Wilson and Loring will inspect the Trenton with a view to reporting upon her steam steering apparatus, which is said to be defective.

Secretary Endicott has accepted the resignation of his private secretary, Mr. Charles S. Sweet, with expressions of regret and thanks to Mr. Sweet's valuable services.

The President has sent a letter to the Young Democratic Association of Philadelphia with a kindly acknowledgment of its offer to receive the President and Mrs. Cleveland on their visit to Philadelphia. Colonel Grison, Hatch, Smith, Merritt and Ayers are mentioned as aspirants for the brigadier-generalship to be vacated by the retirement of General Willcox tomorrow.

The Treasury Department has been informed that forged revenue certificates for California emigrants have been detected at San Francisco, the forgery being that of the name of the collector at Port Townsend.

The Treasury Department has refused to return a package of one and two dollar silver certificates which was sent from a Texas National bank with a note punched through each note. Such mutilation is declared to be illegal.

Chief Clerk Whitman to-day carried into effect his plan of furnishing twenty of the Treasury clerks with clerical duties, and hundred women can be employed with periodical furloughs instead of having fifty women steadily employed.

The National Museum Lectures.

The second half of the Saturday lecture course at the National Museum will be opened to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock with a lecture by Dr. Edward M. Hartwell on "The Aim and Effects of Physical Training."

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

The Twenty-second Anniversary of His Assassination.

A TRAGIC STORY RECALLED.

How Junius Brutus Booth Narrowly Escaped Mob Violence.

CEREMONIES AT SPRINGFIELD.

Twenty-two years ago to-day Abraham Lincoln died and the country was plunged in sorrow. There are many yet living in this city who will remember that terrible day. Every one was frightened, every one was startled, every one was in a state of confusion. In one case they got started against one man, either for words or actions, and the mob violence was kindled. The mob violence was kindled, and the mob violence was kindled.

LINCOLN'S REMAINS.

His Body Interred in Another Tomb Yesterday.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 15.—The body of Abraham Lincoln was yesterday removed from the spot where it had been reposed since an attempt was made in 1876 to steal it, and placed in a new tomb. The spot from which it was taken has been a place of pilgrimage for many years. The body of Lincoln was reposed in a tomb which was built by the people of Springfield. The tomb was built by the people of Springfield, and the body of Lincoln was reposed in it.

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SPORTS OF THE SEASON.

CHICAGO WINS THE SERIES.

TOO FREE WITH HIS CLUB.

THE STORY THAT IS TOLD OF OFFICER CHAMBERLAIN'S CONDUCT.

GENERAL TELEGRAMS.

Robt. Gatewood, an Assistant Patent Examiner, Shoots Himself.

It is reported that some of the residents of South Washington in regard to the arrest of John Schultz by Officer Chamberlain yesterday afternoon is true. Major Moore should give Mr. Chamberlain a few instructions in the art of not using the club. The story, as heard from several eye-witnesses, is that while Schultz, who was very drunk, was walking along Thirteenth street southwest, he was insulted by a negro street sweeper, and making some reply, was set upon by the negro and two friends, who attempted to kill him. The approach of a white man and an officer frightened them, and they made the escape. Upon the next morning the officer arrested Schultz and a man who had tried to stop the fracas. Schultz, who was very drunk, was walking along Thirteenth street southwest, he was insulted by a negro street sweeper, and making some reply, was set upon by the negro and two friends, who attempted to kill him.

AN ILLINOIS CONSPIRACY.

General for various Illinois railroads applied yesterday for a suspension of the Court of the Illinois Supreme Court, who recovered to-day after a week's rest, stating that he was in a competitive battle with Chicago and St. Louis.

THE MORMON QUESTION.

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